



General Assembly

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***Raised Bill No. 798***

LCO No. 2814

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Referred to Committee on Higher Education and Employment  
Advancement

Introduced by:  
(HED)

***AN ACT ALLOWING THE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION TO  
RETAIN AN ADMINISTRATIVE COST ALLOWANCE FROM THE  
CONNECTICUT INDEPENDENT COLLEGE STUDENT GRANT  
PROGRAM.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General  
Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 10a-38 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
2 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective July 1, 2009*):

3 (a) In administering sections 10a-36 to 10a-42a, inclusive, as  
4 amended by this act, the Board of Governors of Higher Education shall  
5 develop and utilize fiscal procedures designed to insure accountability  
6 of the public funds expended pursuant to said sections. Such  
7 procedures shall include provisions for compliance audits which may  
8 be conducted by the Department of Higher Education [of] for any  
9 independent college or university which participates in the program  
10 established pursuant to sections 10a-36 to 10a-42a, inclusive, as  
11 amended by this act. Commencing with the fiscal year ending June 30,  
12 1989, and biennially thereafter, each such independent institution shall  
13 submit the results of an audit done by an independent certified public

14 accountant for each year of participation in the program. Independent  
 15 colleges and universities determined by the board of governors not to  
 16 be in substantial compliance with the provisions of sections 10a-40,  
 17 10a-41 and 10a-42g shall be ineligible to receive funds under the  
 18 program for the fiscal year next following the fiscal year in which the  
 19 independent college or university was determined not to be in  
 20 substantial compliance pursuant to this section and for each fiscal year  
 21 thereafter until the board of governors determines that the college or  
 22 university is in substantial compliance with the provisions of this  
 23 section.

24 (b) The Department of Higher Education may retain one-half of one  
 25 per cent of the amount appropriated for purposes of sections 10a-36 to  
 26 10a-42a, inclusive, as amended by this act, for the fiscal year ending  
 27 June 30, 2010, and for each fiscal year thereafter, to cover  
 28 administrative expenses incurred by the department in conducting  
 29 compliance audits pursuant to subsection (a) of this section.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	July 1, 2009	10a-38

**Statement of Purpose:**

To provide funds to the Department of Higher Education to cover costs associated with compliance audits conducted in conjunction with the Connecticut Independent College Student Grant Program.

*[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]*